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KENYA QUERY

London, Feb. 27.
Colonel Dudda Parker (Com) asked Mr. Attlee whether, in view of the decision to leave India by the summer of 1948 and to evacuate troops from Egypt in the near future, he would now give an indication of the plans being made to provide for an alternative base in Kenya or other East African dependencies.

Mr. Attlee replied: "No. The permanent bases of our relations with India and Egypt is not yet settled." — Reuter.

Verdict On Miss Wilkinson

London, Feb. 28.
A Coroner's Court today found that former Education Minister Ellen Wilkinson died of a heart disease following bronchitis and bronchial pneumonia from an overdose of barbiturals drugs.

Coroner Neville Stafford added: "I would further say that the cause of her death was accidental."

The text of the Coroner's verdict was: "Ellen Cleoey Wilkinson came to her death from heart failure following bronchitis and bronchial pneumonia, accelerated by barbituric acid poisoning."

The Coroner also said there was "not a shred of evidence to suggest that these acid substances were taken purposely by Miss Wilkinson."

Testimony of a pathologist and an official analyst showed she took the drugs while in a comatose condition, apparently not knowing she was taking an overdose. — United Press.

6-Year-Old Burglar

Manchester, Feb. 27.
A rosy-cheeked schoolboy stood before the Magistrate's table and listened respectfully and quietly as an Inspector testified.

The Inspector listed nine crimes charged against the lad including stealing sums up to £2 and breaking into houses and lawyers' offices. The Judge then ordered the boy turned over to the county authorities for education until he is 18. The neatly dressed boy said "Yes, Sir" and left. His name was withheld. He is six years old. — United Press.

Pullman Sleeper Jumps Rail

Altoona, Feb. 26.
One was killed and 15 injured when the last Pullman sleeper on the Pennsylvania Railroad's "Sunshine Special" westbound from New York to Texas via St. Louis became uncoupled from the train and rolled backward three and a half miles down a nine degree mountainside grade and jumped the tracks on a sharp curve.

The Pullman porter was killed, and the other 15 were thrown out of their beds when the car crashed against a hill.

The accident happened a short distance east of the scene of the February 24 derailment of the "Red Arrow". The accident happened at 3:54 a.m. when the "Sunshine Special," running 51 minutes late, made the scheduled stop on the grade to uncouple one of the three locomotives which push and pull it over the Appalachian Mountains.

In an unexplained manner the Pullman car "Cascade Mirage" became uncoupled, rolled backward, gained speed on the steep grade, swayed dangerously as it gained momentum and jumped the tracks at Curve 109.

The injured were placed aboard the passing eastbound

"Jeffersonian" and brought to Altoona.

The accident is blamed on mechanical failure of the air-brake which should have automatically set the brakes when the car became uncoupled.

The train proceeded to the railway station but the fire was under control by the time the fire brigade arrived.

Pushed Him In

J. Stephens testified he saw Percy poke his nose in a basket strung over a fisherman's shoulder, grab a mouthful of sandwiches and then push the man into the Avon.

The Judge said: "Percy must have force of disposition."

Percy was not in court to hear accusations. He was not present in the dock of the Avon.

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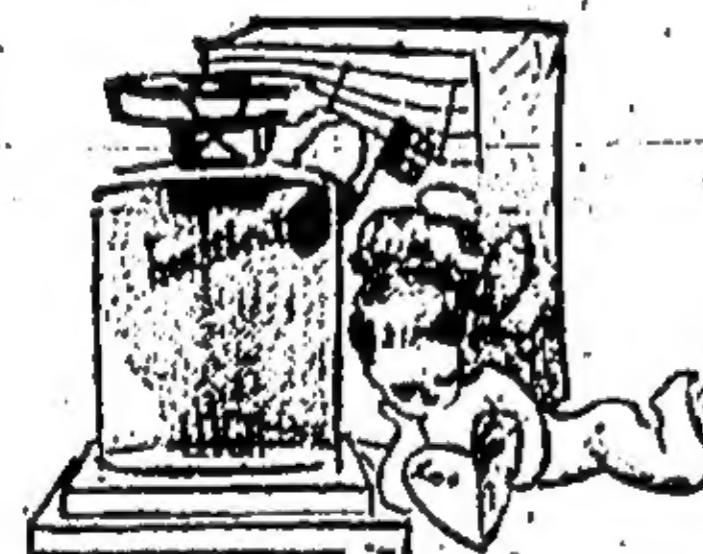
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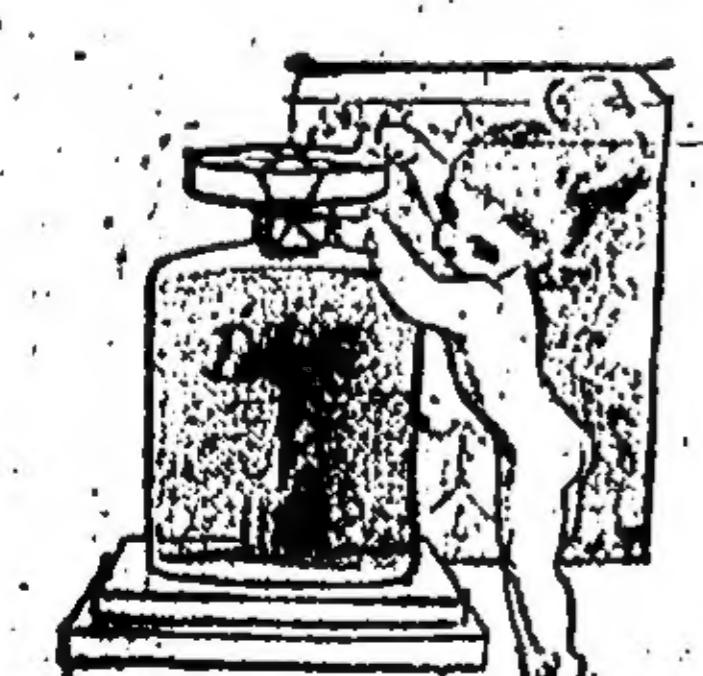
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American Ambassador Arrives

The United States Ambassador to China, Dr. John Leighton Stuart, arrived at Kai Tak Airfield by an American Army Dakota, flown by Lieut.-Col. Haney, at 3.36 yesterday afternoon.

Accompanying the Ambassador were Mr. Raymond Ladd, First Secretary of the American Embassy at Nanking, and Mr. Bradley Connors, Press Attaché to the Embassy.

Dr. Stuart was met at Kai Tak by Gr-Capt. E. Jones, Station Commander, R.A.F., Kai Tak, Lt. R. Parkinson, H.K.R.N.V.R., A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, Mr. George D. Hopper, United States Consul-General in Hong Kong, Mr. K.Y. Leung, representing Mr. T.W. Kwok, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs for Kwangtung and Kwangsi, Mr. Mu Shui-pun, Chairman of the Yenching University Alumni Association, and Mr. Keith Wong, of the Office of the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs of Kwangtung and Kwangsi Provinces.

Dr. Stuart, who will be leaving on Monday morning on a visit to Hainan Island, will be the guest over the weekend of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Mark Young, G.C.M.G., and Lady Young at Government House.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals—Mr. and Mrs. A.V. Currie, R.E., R.A.M.C., D. Knobell, P. Hart and R.A. Collier.

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Inouye Kanao otherwise known as "Slap Happy," "Kamloops Kid" and "Yankee," who is charged with 30 overt acts of high treason, was committed to stand his trial at the March Criminal Sessions by Mr. E. H. Sainsbury at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when hearing of the Lower Court proceedings was concluded.

Superintendent O'Donovan probed on behalf of the Crown, while accused was not satisfactorily represented.

He was again interrogated about ten days later by Yoshimoto and accused. Wong said that in the course of the interrogation he was slapped by Inouye and fell to the floor. He was then taken to the cells, locked up and given no food for three days.

During interrogations, accused appeared to be interpreting. Sometimes he seemed to be asking questions of his own. Wong said that he was released in September of 1944.

After evidence had been given by Wong Chung, Lau Man, Jan Ching Fan and Wai Man Hon, accused was committed.

Prosecuting, DSI McVey

stated that at 9 p.m. on Feb. 12 a party of detectives, led by himself and Chan Yung went to the Mong Kok ferry wharf at Shantung Street and there arrested accused who had the arms and ammunition concealed in a carpenter's tools box.

On being questioned, defendant admitted that he intended to take the weapons to Hong Kong where he was to meet some other persons who were to commit robbery. These people could not be traced, added DSI McVey.

Before passing sentence of two years hard labour, His Worship declared that he took a very serious view of the case and that it was his intention to exercise to the full the powers conferred on him by Law. Mr. Blair-Kerr added that he would show no leniency whatsoever but would impose the maximum penalty in all future cases of a similar nature.

He trusted, concluded His Worship, that the Press would give the widest possible publicity to both the present case and his warning.

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More H.K. Police Arriving

The s.s. *Ranchi*, due to arrive at Hong Kong this morning, will be bringing back nearly 30 Hong Kong Police officers who have been recuperating at home during the last year.

Among them will be Inspector McHardy who will be posted to Yatman as Divisional Inspector—successor to Inspector Blenkinsop and Sub-Inspector Sergeant "Smoky Joe" Whiteroff as Officer-in-Charge of the same Station.

Mr. Whiteroff will be leaving the Colony today by the *Glenbow*, together with Mr. "Buck" Taylor, formerly Divisional Inspector Water Police whose position has been taken over by Inspector Mitchell.

Another change in the "Y" Division personnel will be that of the Officer Commanding, Mr. E. Tyrer, A.S.P., who will soon be transferred to another Division prior to going home on furlough.

The popular Commandant's successor is Mr. G. Ley, formerly of the Shanghai and Tientsin Police and lately of the Royal Air Force.

Sub Inspector Forrest, another "old Hong Kong hand" returned to the Colony about a fortnight ago and is now attached to the Yatman C.I.D., while Mr. Blenkinsop, the Police footballer, is now D.I.C. of Mong Kok Station.

Witness Demonstrates How Police Officer Fell

A demonstration of how the late Inspector A. S. Anderson, of Mongkok Police Station, fell to the floor of the shop, after allegedly being hit, was staged before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, Presiding Judge, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday by an eye-witness for the Crown in the continued trial of two European seamen of the "Arundel Castle" on a charge of manslaughter.

The accused are Robert Stanley, 26, brewer, and Frederick Francis, 19, brewer, who had pleaded not guilty to unlawfully killing Inspector Anderson last Christmas.

At the conclusion of the Crown's case yesterday afternoon, Defence Counsel submitted that there was no proof to prove it was the submission will be considered by Defence Counsel this morning.

Mr. J. Clifford, Crown Counsel, assisted by CBI Charlie Mettam, is conducting the prosecution. Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, defendant, both accused.

Folk's Evidence

Wong Kuan-chuen, shop boy, said at 10 p.m. while he was standing next to the counter he saw Inspector Anderson coming into the shop to use the telephone. Two Europeans followed and one of them hit the Inspector just below the ear. To Mr. Clifford, witness said he thought it was a strong blow as the Inspector fell. Confirming Wong said he then

saw the other European striking Inspector Anderson somewhere on the face, which caused the Inspector to fall and hit a glass jar with his thigh.

Then witness continued, he saw Inspector Anderson falling sideways, knocking off a few teeth which the Police officer fell forward with his hands and nose touching the mirror on the wall. Wong said he noticed the Inspector's nose was bleeding.

At this time Wong added, he saw his fellow folk Liu Pak, go forward to stop Inspector Anderson from falling. The Inspector, being too heavy for Liu, fell sideways with his arm hitting the floor before his head.

In his opinion, witness added, the fall was hard but the head did not hit the floor hard as the arm touched the floor first.

At the request of Mr. Clifford, witness left the witness box to demonstrate how the Inspector fell.

Saw A Blow

Yiu Pui, the next witness, said he was passing the shop when he saw three Europeans, including both accused. He walked two steps length away and heard a noise upon which he walked back to the shop.

The first thing he saw was Stanley striking another European on the face causing the latter to fall forward. At that time, Yiu added, Franks was a short distance behind Stanley. Later witness said he saw three Europeans walking away from the shop.

As examined by Mr. Bernacchi, Yiu admitted having said at the committal proceedings that he could only recognise one of the three Europeans. Witness said he was quite certain that he could identify Stanley.

Liu Pak, shop boy, said that when he saw Inspector Anderson's hands touching the mirror and his nose bleeding, he went forward to help by putting his hands under the Police officer's arms.

As the Inspector was too heavy for him to hold him, witness added, he helped the Police officer to slip on to the floor. Describing how he helped the Inspector, witness said the fall was not heavy since the right side of the body hit the floor first, then his upper part and head.

Court Visits Shop

His Lordship, the jury and both Counsel visited the Yuen Hing Cheung Confectionery at No. 940 Nathan Road, where the alleged incident took place in the afternoon, and as a result, the Court did not resume hearing until almost 4 p.m.

SI. T. Dow, of the Emergency Unit, Yatman, said he was sent out to Mongkok and on arriving there stopped a bus in which he saw Stanley, Franks and Johnson. He ordered them to leave the vehicle and they appeared to him to have been drinking.

Witness said Stanley had to be assisted to leave the bus by Franks. Together with Franks, witness helped Stanley into the Mongkok Police Station and put him on the floor in the charge room.

To Mr. Clifford, SI Dow said he has about 10 years' experience in dealing with drunk people. From his experience, he said, a drunk man usually could talk but could not walk. However, in this case, he alleged, Stanley could walk but could not talk. Further, he added, he noticed Stanley kept

CLAIMS AGAINST GOVERNMENT

All claims against Government arising out of service in the A.R.P. and other Civil Defence Services, are now being dealt with by the Accountant-General, Prince's Building and not by the Colonial Secretary.

Claims already lodged should not be re-submitted.

Marks On Knuckles

Later, SI Dow went on, he lifted Stanley by his shoulders from the floor and deliberately let him fall. Stanley fell forward instead of backward as a drunk man would usually fall, witness said.

In his opinion, witness added, he thought Stanley could control himself and was pretending to be drunk and was pretending to be drunk.

Witness said he had had eight months' duty as medical orderly in London, during which period he had come across many cases of epilepsy. The marks which he found on Stanley's knuckles, witness said, were not the marks of fracture.

Of the three persons he found in the bus, SI Dow said, Stanley was wearing a jacket, while Franks and Johnson were in open-neck shirts.

In reply to Mr. Clifford, witness said he knew Inspector Anderson's temper was very even.

The Crown closed its case after evidence by CBI Mettam who testified in charging both accused with manslaughter.

Before His Lordship adjourned the case to this morning, Mr. Clifford submitted that there was no cause to answer on the part of Franks. Mr. Bernacchi contended that Franks had not been identified at all, either on parade or in Court by various eye-witnesses.

Defence Counsel said he would continue his submission this morning.

The ferry from Mongkok to Kowloon had to put about 9.10 p.m. yesterday and cruise about in mid-harbour when an unidentified Chinese woman jumped overboard. She was described as about 34 years of age, of medium height and built, with bobbed hair and dressed in grey striped cotton. The body was not recovered.

The forthcoming marriage of Mr. John Rees Jenkins, of S.T. & I., residing at No. 23, Fort Street, and Miss Lucy Coleman Lapham, en route to the Colony from Australia aboard s.s. *Hawthorn*, is announced.

Enquiry Into Death Of Pumpman

A verdict of "Death from misadventure" was returned by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday at the conclusion of an inquiry held into the death of Peter Darling, 42, late pumpman of M/V "Naranto," whose body was found floating near the Kowloon Dock at 5.10 p.m. on Feb. 2.

The circumstances, as revealed by the Police, represented by DSJ J.W.M. Dickson, and various witnesses, were that deceased was last seen alive at 11.30 p.m. in the Central Bar, Nathan Road, when he was more or less under the influence of liquor. His movements after that time could not be traced and as Europeans are not checked when going in and out of the Kowloon Dock

gates, the gate-keeper was unable to say whether deceased did re-enter the Docks after that time.

According to Captain M. E. Rettig, Master of the vessel, the late Mr. Darling was a very good worker and got on well with the other members of the crew. There had never been any serious trouble with him. As far as witness knew, deceased had no worries whatsoever. The first thing he knew of the accident, continued Capt. Rettig, was through the morning newspaper report of the finding of the body of a European in the water near Kowloon Docks.

Medical Evidence

Explaining further, Capt. Rettig said that pumpmen often had to work 72 hours at a stretch while at sea, and that it was the usual custom to allow them 48 hours leave after the ship had tied alongside a wharf. That was the reason why Darling's absence was not noticed.

Medical evidence given by Dr. Alvarez revealed that death

(from fractured skull, intracranial haemorrhage and shock) took place between 24 and 36 hours prior to the time when the post-mortem was

held at 10 a.m. on Feb. 3. The bruises found on the deceased's face, neck and legs could have been caused either before or

after death, said Dr. Alvarez.

In reply to the Coroner, DSJ

Dickson said in evidence that

in his opinion, the gangway

was for all practical purposes

quite safe and that it was used

by hundreds of persons, both

adults and children, daily.

In his opinion, the gates

had been closed through the body

of the deceased, but that the body

had been found floating in the

water, which had been found

China Bldg. Robbery

There was considerable excitement in the China Building shortly after 3.30 p.m. yesterday afternoon when an alarm was raised that an armed robbery had occurred on the sixth floor in the office of the King Lee Firm.

Three men armed with revolvers reportedly waited for the alarm and held up the five inmates. One ordered the manager to open the safe from which \$600 in money was taken. The five inmates were then stripped of another \$600 odd.

By the time the alarm was raised they had made good their escape.

FUNERAL

Present at the funeral yesterday at the Muhammad Cemetery were the late Uncle Rumjhan, who died on Thursday at the age of 82, were Mr. Ali Rumjhan and Mr. A.A. Rumjhan (sons), Mauli, Mahe Aslam, Meers, B. Baloch, A.A. Faizuddin, A. Shira-Nejo Cheung Khowai, Nan Shing-kwan, Tim Ku-po, Lee Sik, Liang Pu-pu, Wu-wah, L.A. Qasim, D. Buxton, H.T. Hussain, A.H. Mohar, A.O. Hashim, N. Hashim, H.M. Hashim, S.A.R. Hashim, S.H. Hashim, O. Rumjhan, A. Rumjhan, B.H. Rumjhan, B. Rumjhan, A. Mansur, Rumjhan, A. Mansur Rumjhan, U.M. Omar, E. Omar, K.M. Omar, R. Akther, S.A. Ramjhan, J.M.A. Ramjhan, J. Hussain, A.A. Ramjhan, I.M.A. Ramjhan, D.M. Ramjhan, J. Dyer, David Lau, A.P.M. Harvey, J. Joseph, M. Ramjhan, A.K. Mina, A.R. Mina, O.K. Mina, Nusrat, K. Nasir, A.M. Wahab, A. Arsal, E.K. Khan, E.R. Markar, B.A. Cassamhoy, M.I.A. Hashni, J.S.A. Correa, K.C. Lam and many others.

Maulvi Cheung, acting Imam of the Mosque, officiated.

H.K.V.D.C. ORDERS

Orders by Lt.-Colonel E.J.R. Mitchell, O.B.E., M.B., commanding H.K.V.D.C. Order No. 6/47 dated Feb. 28, 1947.

H.K.V.D.C. ASSOCIATION: The attention of all Volunteers is drawn to the fact that the first Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held on Monday, March 3, 1947 at 1745 hours at Volunteer Headquarters, Kowloon, and that as many Volunteers as possible will attend.

Part 2 Order No. 6/47.

Arrivalite H. Bruce J. (Dec. 5, 46); 2000 Bkt. Beacons, B.W. (Dec. 6, 46); 2000 Bkt. Howard, W.J. (Jan. 18, 47); 2000 Bkt. Maddan, D.R. (Feb. 23, 47).

(Bkt.) A.R.G. MORRISON.

Captain Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF IMPORTS & EXPORTS

Vacancies exist for Chinese Revenue Officers in the Imports and Exports Department.

Qualifications required: Candidates must be of good character, age 21-25, and residents of Hong Kong. They should have a sound knowledge of English and good testimonials. Applications should be made in writing to the Secretary, Imports and Exports Department, to reach him not later than 7th March, 1947.

E. HILMSWORTH, Superintendent of Imports & Exports.

Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1947.

NOTICE

H.K.V.D.C. ORDERS

DURING THE PRESENT EMERGENCY GAS PRESSES WILL BE REDUCED IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS DURING OFF PEAK HOURS.

THE COMPANY REGRET AN INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY THIS ACTION BUT IT IS DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND THEIR CONTROL.

H. E. STONE, General Manager.

NOTICE

Unclaimed Wreck

The Water Boat "Hung Lee

No. 1", Hong Kong Licence No.

1255V, last registered owner

Wong Hung, Hong Kong, but

which may have changed hands,

has been salvaged.

Should the rightful owner not

claim this vessel before the 14th

March, 1947, it will be sold to

defray the cost of salvage.

By Order,

J. WATSON,

General Secretary.

Hong Kong, 28th Feb., 1947.

NOTICE

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BIRTH

BOOKER.—On Wednesday, February 19, 1947, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Booker, a daughter.

H.K. LABOUR

Government's recent performances with the so-called Rehabilitation' prompt an enquiry as to whether radical revision of the local wages system would not in the long run prove more dignified. There seems to be little point in preserving a method of computing the appropriate pay of a labourer or artisan, based upon a cgs of living index, if at the first indication that it will operate too sharply to the disadvantage of the workman, there is to be wholesale retreat from the basic principle. The actual action of Government in this matter is probably not to be criticised. It was fairly apparent that there was real danger of labour trouble this month if the majority of them had found their pay envelopes slimmer by \$12 than they were at the end of January. The brief strike on Thursday by Government motor-drivers as the result of a misunderstanding of official intentions regarding rehabilitation allowance provided a slight, but ample illustration of labour "touchiness" and we fancy it was just as well that it was deemed inexpedient to put to the test the ability and willingness of the workman to recognise that a cut of \$12 a month, based upon an averaged-out price index, was just and reasonable and conformed to an approximately equal reduction in his cost of living. It requires no expert Trade Union leader to be sent out to Hong Kong by Mr. Creech-Jones to persuade the Chinese workmen that a pay increase once gained, however it might be described, is not lightly to be surrendered. What Government did of course was to discover a good enough reason for over-riding the methods laid down in the "book of words" for assessing the scale of the allowance, and to announce a cut of \$3 instead of \$12, as a reduction likely to be more easily assimilated. Since then, in consequence of the decision to increase the price of ration rice to 4 cents, the food and fuel figures have been revised, and the net result will be that at the end of March the workman will find himself \$6 better off in hard cash than he was in January. All of which will gain him immediate approval of the Cost of Living Index System, but will not make it any easier to induce him to believe that the process in reverse should be applied with equal speed and dexterity when the figures, and the rules, call for that course. Sliding scales work with delightful smoothness while the trend is upward. The friction comes when the attempt is made to push them back again. That is, and always has been, the obvious weakness of a fluctuating wage system, and the suggestion of retreat from its operation when the issue was recently plainly posed seems to us to be tacit acknowledgement, (no matter how neatly phrased was the pretext) that Government would give much to discover a means to reduce the scope for embarrassing complications. The proposal to use the monthly average as a yardstick instead of two-months has certain minor merits. This modification may result in movements more frequent, but of smaller dimensions. The success of this arrangement, however must be psychologically dependent upon frequency of movement. If the workman can be accustomed, by actual experience, to the idea of a pay slip that varies from month to month, he may, by a sort of Lycraism, be persuaded to surrender gracefully to the see-saw motion. But the damage may have already done. He has been held at \$84 for so long now that he can be excused a feeling of permanency about \$84, which will not be easy to eliminate. As we have already suggested, a sure line of approach might be found

THE CHINA MAIL, SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 1947.

WESTMINSTER GAZETTE**Mr. Churchill Guilty Of
A Tactical Error**

Westminster, Feb. 15.

The dominating topic in Parliament this week as in the rest of Britain has been the Battle of Coal and when the House of Commons staged a full dress debate following last week's fierce anti-Government build-up there were many in the ranks of the Opposition who breathed confident whiffs of ranged downwards from complete collapse of Mr. Attlee's Cabinet to at the very least the dismissal of Mr. Shinwell.

But things did not work out that way. The great showdown in the Chamber, which was going to expose the Labour Government to the grimmiest barrage in its uncomfortable existence, mislaid its target somehow. M.P.s on the extreme right were very disappointed and rather inclined to criticise Mr. Churchill for failing to seize this heaven sent opportunity to bring the Government down. But though Winston can be a bitter political battler when he chooses, he is also big enough in mental stature to rise above mere party interests when his alreadv instinct tells him that certain kinds of victory hold the seeds of incipient future dangers. Thus the tense House and packed galleries saw curious spectacle of the attack on the Government's coal policy strangely alternate between hard hitting and then unexpected soft pedalling.

Actually the subsequent debate made the probability of Mr. Shinwell's fall much more remote than it was before the debate began. General opinion in the House was that Mr. Churchill inadvertently put his finger on the roots of the whole crisis when he blamed Shinwell and the Government for not telling the people sooner about the fuel difficulties, and for not using radio and other publicity to give country some drill in what might happen if bad weather came along before the gap between production and consumption got too wide. The House adjourned eventually without a divisor with the Opposition slightly annoyed at having no gory scalp to gloat over, with the Government slightly surprised at having escaped unscathed and with the country still bewildered over the whole thing. Mr. Attlee had the wisdom to take full personal charge of the crisis from the private lives of British citizens. Mr. Osborne should have been satisfied with leaving matters there but he insisted on offering no many interruptions that Mr. Edwards, evidently whip-smart, could not profitably use to effect that he was surprised that the pools were copying some of the tactics of the Stock Exchange—an effective hint to Mr. Osborne who is stock broker, which finally disposed of him and sent members home with the kind of smiles which usually reward jokers at the expense of their number.

Shinwell Takes

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The news columns indicates the progress being achieved in the actual fuel battle but in the political sense which is my only immediate sphere of comment, Labour Government is riding the storm and cheating its opponents who only a week ago were certain the complete collapse of the whole administration was unavoidable. In the middle of all this, Norman went to the poll. Admittedly a seat recognised as a Labour certainty, but the Conservatives could be forgiven a confident anticipation of a poll that would reflect the electorate's presumed present-day disillusion about the Labour Government. It sent a clear signal to the nation that the Government had won through the efforts of the opposition.

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ed anything savouring of "more austerity" in the same way as they had jeered at Mr. Strachey's bread rationing proposals. Finally his hopes of

Parliamentary Secretary to become Minister of Works, Key won first popularity during the war blitz when his policy as London Regional Shelter Commissioner resulted in the saving of thousands of lives in Popular Housing while serving under Mr. Bevan at the Ministry of Health, and it is expected he will go as far as anyone could go in ironing out those idle red tape tangles with which the Ministries of Health and Supply and Works have strangled so many promising housebuilding schemes.

By J. R.

scrapping through had been dashed by the worst blizzard for fifty years which had brought distribution to frozen standstill.

Rash Intervention

Sensing that Mr. Shinwell was getting away with it Mr. Churchill rather rashly intervened in an attempt to pin down the charge as being one of lack of organised planning to defeat an emergency and was lured into describing the weather conditions as being the sort of emergency he had in mind. This was an unfortunate tactical error because those who had been threating for Mr. Shinwell's blood had previously been accusing him of trying to use the weather as an alibi. Mr. Churchill made an effort to recover the lost ground during his own speech when his sentence: "I would not put all the blame on the Minister of Fuel and Power" roused cries of "Why Not?" to which he retorted, "Well I do not hunt harpooned or falling Ministers".

First Point

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Conservative M.P. "Southport" opened the debate rather as if merely doing advanced outpost duty and when Mr. Wyatt, Labour M.P. Birmingham Aston interrupted with a challenging request as to how Mr. Hudson would raise the coal stocks, Mr. Hudson evaded the thrust and declined to answer. Thus Mr. Shinwell had a point scored for him before he rose to reply but nevertheless the Opposition members began to sharpen knives for a quick kill. For Emanuel is not a particularly successful House of Commons speaker at any time and often says things which expose the weak joints in his own armour. The preceding few days had also been full of either clamorous demands for his resignation as a "bungler" or rise with rumours that Mr. Attlee had decided to throw him overboard as the only way of keeping his Government safely aloft.

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New Ministers.

Speaking of possible ministerial changes reminds me of the charges caused by Miss Ellen Wilkinson's death. The appointment of Mr. George Tomlinson as her successor at the Education Ministry has not been too well received even in Labour ranks. Feeling is that Mr. Tomlinson was not a shining success as Minister of Works and that ineffective men should be scrapped rather than promoted. But there is ungrudging applause for Charles Key, who has come up from being Mr. Bevan's

Parliamentary Secretary to become Minister of Works. Key won first popularity during the war blitz when his policy as London Regional Shelter Commissioner resulted in the saving of thousands of lives in Popular Housing while serving under Mr. Bevan at the Ministry of Health, and it is expected he will go as far as anyone could go in ironing out those idle red tape tangles with which the Ministries of Health and Supply and Works have strangled so many promising housebuilding schemes.

Osborne Shock

Amazing background facts about growth of football pools came out when Mr. Osborne (Conservative, Leeth) raised the issue on a motion for the adjournment. He declared that gambling industry employed seventy-five thousand persons full time and another fifty thousand part time, that the G.P.O. had to deal with seven and three quarters million circulars per week from pools firms and six million letters from clients to pools, and that the annual amount spent by pools clients is total seventy-five million pounds. He suggested the Government could end slot machines within twelve months if it's pool employees were diverted into the clothing industry. The subject debate was not as controversial as might have been expected.

Everybody seems to regard this subject as dynamic. Even Mr. Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, who was put up to rate the Government's views, appeared to wish he had not been involved with this tricky task. So he fled by resigning from the Ministry of Fuel and Power, told the country that he had a great deal of sympathy with Mr. Osborne but took refuge in expressing reluctance about imposing his views on moral issues on other persons or in doing anything that might be regarded as interference with the private lives of British citizens. Mr. Osborne should have been satisfied with leaving matters there but he insisted on offering no many interruptions that Mr. Edwards, evidently whip-smart, could not profitably use to effect that he was surprised that the pools were copying some of the tactics of the Stock Exchange—an effective hint to Mr. Osborne who is stock broker, which finally disposed of him and sent members home with the kind of smiles which usually reward jokers at the expense of their number.

Sweet By-and-By

Most significant incident of the week has been the wrinkle by Eric Gandy Dower (Conservative, Caithness and Sutherland). It will be remembered when he won his seat at the General Election, he pledged himself to resign when Japan was defeated. He broke the pledge and for some time refused even to consider honouring it. Then a series of "yes he will" — no he won't decisions. His secretary was leaving to get married last December so Dower agreed he would resign and fight the constituency. Then he was not going to stand again. Then there appeared to be a quarrel between the Caithness

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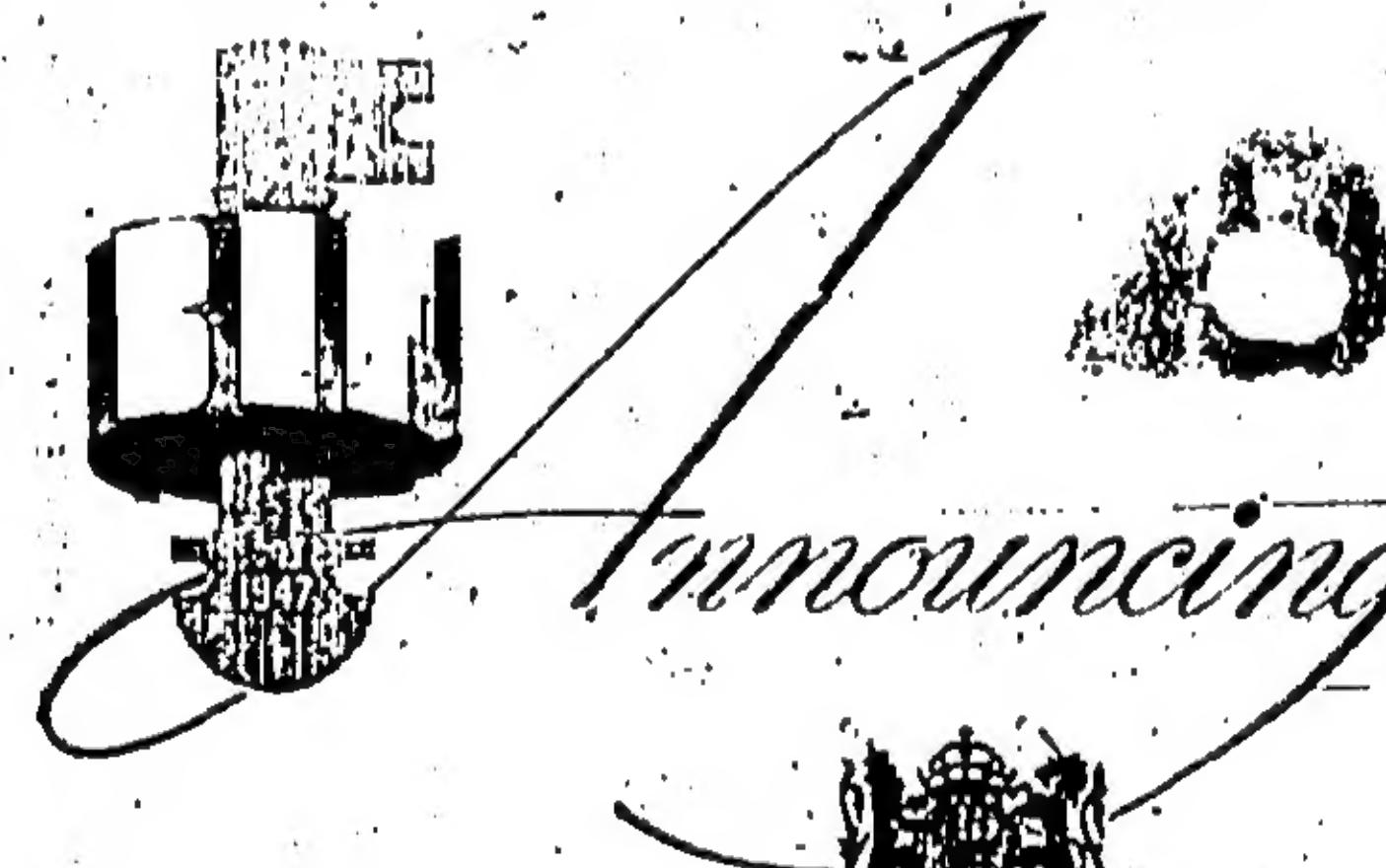
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Bevin On Anglo-American Unity

No Wedge Between Two Countries

London, Feb. 27.
The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, today assured a cheering House of Commons that Britain would not permit differences over Palestine policy to destroy Anglo-American unity. Mr. Bevin declared that despite the storm over his criticism of American Palestine policy, "on all questions, relations with the United States are of the most cordial character, and I can assure the House that we for our part shall not allow any wedge to be driven between our two countries to disturb our friendship." Prolonged applause and cheers greeted the statement.

Mr. Bevin acknowledged that as a result of his speech in Tuesday's Palestine debate—in which he said President Truman spoiled his chances of getting Arab-Jew agreement "there may have been some misunderstanding," but insisted "this is a matter which stands by itself."

Mr. Bevin said he was "looking forward to the meeting" with the new American Secretary of State, General Marshall, at the Moscow conference of the Foreign Ministers' Council. General Marshall, he said, "is a staunch friend of this country."

He was "anxious to secure" approval at Moscow of former Secretary of State Byrnes' proposed Four-Power agreement "for the purpose of preventing a recurrence of aggression in Europe."

"That matter will be on the agenda at Moscow and I think it is a very great thing that the United States have taken this vital interest in the preservation of peace in Europe," he said.

Mr. Byrnes' proposal was for a four-power treaty governing disarmament and demilitarization of Germany, which has been heavily criticized by Soviet Russia.

Britain would shortly submit proposals to Russia for revision of the Anglo-Soviet treaty. He acknowledged that Russian proposals for revision had been received, but did not inform the House of their nature.

"We entirely agree that it would be a good thing to get rid of the out-of-date features of the treaty," he said. He added that he was "extremely glad of the desire shown to prolong the alliance on a new basis of closer co-operation between the two countries."

The House again cheered.

Of the Anglo-French treaty, Mr. Bevin said negotiations also were making "satisfactory progress" and added: "I hope these negotiations will be completed in the very near future."—United Press.

Four-Power Pact

London, Feb. 27.
The conclusion of four-power pact between the United States, Soviet Union, France and Britain for the purpose of establishing collective security which will inspire such confidence in its operations against a possible aggressor that it will not immediately aggression is threatened so that no one country will be left to hold an enemy-

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BEVIN BLACKMAIL SAYS IRGUN

Jerusalem, Feb. 27.
The secret radio of Irwan Zevi Loomi, today said that Foreign Secretary Bevin was "trying" to blackmail the Jewish Agency when he says "accept the status of a ghetto or I go to the United Nations."

It was the first Jewish underground reference to the controversy between Britain and Truman on Palestine. The radio said: "There is another blackmail in his demand 'accept my plan and pile up your dreams about freedom and independence, then I will let in 100,000 Jews."—United Press.

for a considerable time while the others are considering whether they will come to give assistance or not."

"I think the United Nations, particularly on its social and economic side, is evolving very effectively. The devilish arrangement of war are such that everyone has a full sense of their responsibilities. Some of the speeches which we got spring from fear others from propaganda, but underlying it all there is a genuine desire to solve the awful problem of war for all time."

Hopes For China

Mr. Bevin hoped some means of settlement would be effected in China pretty soon which would enable "this great country which so old a friend of Great Britain" to get out on the road to rehabilitation and prosperity.

The chief Opposition speaker, Mr. Butler, from Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he believed Britain would show

the same spirit as in 1940 in overcoming the difficulties of getting along with mastering the problem "which it put up not only with its own difficulties but with this government and its lack of policy."

"If we can surmount that last obstacle we shall feel we are a great race." (Laughter).

The type of statement issued recently on Indian policy, with its emphasis on quelling instead of helping India, had caused reactions of the wrong sort about Britain's attitude to the future of her Commonwealth and empire, Mr. Butler continued.

It was important to remember that the foreign might misunderstand Britain's motives and undermine her strength. The more they did that, the less successful was Mr. Bevin likely to be when he reached Moscow.

Mr. Butler thought Mr. Bevin's definition of what collective security really meant could not be improved upon and the Opposition would accept that utterly.

They must be assured, however, at the same time, that the representation machinery was effective to deal with any transgressor.

Disgraceful.

Mr. Emrys Roberts (Lab.)

thought it was disgraceful to think that a man like Field Marshal Smuts, who had been drafting the charter of the United Nations, should take the attitude of refusing to comply with the Security Council's recommendation regarding the future of mainland territory in South West Africa and the treatment of Indians in South Africa. It was particularly unfortunate that he should do it on the eve of the visit of the King and Queen to South Africa.

Mr. Morgan Price (Lab.) who spent many years in Russia thought the keynote of Russian policy was reparations and that she would be "willing to end the zone system if she could get reparations in some form or another to assist her."—Reuter.

Mediation Policy Critic

Paris, Feb. 27.
A bitter attack on M. Georges Bidault, Foreign Minister, for not having signed an Anglo-French alliance at the Moscow Conference of 1944, which preceded the signing of the Franco-Soviet alliance was made by the rightwing deputy, Marquis Francois de Moustier, in today's Foreign Affairs debate in the French National Assembly.

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The Marquis, who is a member of the Republican Party of Liberty, asked M. Bidault, "why was the Anglo-French alliance not signed in Moscow at the conference when overtures were made? What have you to say for yourself?"

M. Bidault replied simply that General de Gaulle had led the French delegation at the Moscow Conference. "I was not alone," he said.

Marquis de Moustier went on to ask M. Bidault "will France continue the role of mediator, which favours her position?" In France economically strong enough to stand alone?" M. Bidault did not reply.

Later, M. Paul Reynaud, France's Premier before the armistice in 1940, insisted that France must abandon her role of mediator in international affairs and support the British and American policy on Germany. He denied that by taking sides in the diplomatic field France would fall between two blocs.—Reuters.



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Gruesome Murder And Suicide In Paris

Paris, Feb. 27.

A Russian-born concierge gravely wounded his wife and daughter with a coal hammer today, then murdered with the same weapon a pretty dancing teacher who, he believed led his wife to become the mistress of another man.

After this, the concierge, Leon Palamantelouk, 40, committed suicide by leaping in front of a speeding express train.

According to the police reconstruction of the crime, Palamantelouk arose at seven a.m. in the apartment at the Paris Institute of Physical Culture in the swank Etoile section where he and his wife were the concierges.

The police said he obtained a coal hammer, went to his bedroom and beat his wife Maria, 38, to the floor, where she lay bruised and bleeding. Then he turned on their four-year-old daughter Annie and sent her sprawling to the floor with another hammer blow. Both mother and daughter were in critical condition tonight.

Palamantelouk walked upstairs to the apartment of Madame Yvonne Siegel, 36, a rhythmic-dance teacher in the Institute, and crushed her skull with repeated hammer blows. She died in hospital.

Casual Glance

Returning to his own apartment, Palamantelouk hid the hammer in the laundry, casually glanced at his unconscious wife and daughter and walked to the Viroflay railway station, where he threw himself in front of the incoming express.

The police said Palamantelouk three days ago wrote a note to his daughter Annie, telling her that his mother had become unfaithful to him and

charging Madame Siegel with being responsible for her becoming the mistress of another teacher in the Institute.—United Press.

MR. CHURCHILL GUILTY OF A TACTICAL ERROR

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BRITISH-ALBANIAN DISPUTE OVER MINES

Lake Success, N.Y. Feb. 27.
The Australian proposal to submit the Corfu Channel mines dispute to a special three men investigating committee was supported when the Security Council debate was resumed here today by Dr. Quo Tai-chi, of China. He suggested that such committee should report back to the Council by March 10.

M. Gromyko, Russia, declared that the British statement that the sweeping of the Channel last year was done with the permission of the Central Minesweeping Board was "erroneous and not in conformity with facts." He said that although it was true that the Central Minesweeping Board agreed that the Corfu Channel should be swept at the first favourable opportunity, this was because the British representative on the Board was alleged to have agreed that sweeping would only be done with the consent of Albania.

Mr. Paul Hasluck, Australia, describing how Britain's complaint against Albania had been handled so far, said: "We have an assertion from the Albanian representative, followed by a counter-assertion from the British representative, after which the Soviet delegates does not miss the opportunity of telling the British delegate that what he says is untrue, and that his Government is absurd and is making too much noise about the whole matter."

"This could go on for days, but it is derogatory to the prestige of the Security Council,"

Did the Albanian Government admit receiving copies of the Mediterranean routing instructions about swept channels? Did Britain receive any warning about the entry of warships into Corfu Channel?

The Australian delegation has not made up its mind on this subject and has no opinion on the merits of the case. The Brazilian delegate supported

Mr. Hasluck repeated his request for the appointment of an investigating sub-committee to report back by March 10. He added that Australia had some questions to ask, including:

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INDIA DEBATE

London, Feb. 27.
The acting leader of the House, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, announced in the House of Commons today that a debate on India would be held on Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

The debate will be based on a motion inviting the Commons to approve Government's policy. The Lord's debate will be on Tuesday and Wednesday on an Opposition motion condemning Government's policy but the motion was withdrawn at the end of the debate.—United Press.

the Australian proposal.

VETO QUESTION

The question of the big powers' veto arose when Sir Alexander Cadogan said that he was presuming the appointment of an investigating committee was purely procedural and therefore Britain could vote.

M. Gromyko immediately countered by saying that the appointment of an investigating committee, as in the case of Greece's complaint alleging aid to Greek guerrillas by her northern neighbours, was not a question of procedure and would therefore be subject to the veto.—Reuter.

Sub-Committee

London, Feb. 28.
The Security Council today set up a three-nation subcommittee to investigate Britain's charges against Albania after wrangling for two hours on whether or not Russia had a right to veto such a step.—As-sociated Press.

MEDAL FOR POPE PIUS

Stockholm, Feb. 27.
King Gustav of Sweden has awarded the Pope the Prince Carl Medal, which is awarded to Swedes or foreigners who distinguished themselves through humanitarian work. The Pope has notified the King that he will accept the medal.—Reuter.

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BEN WEBSTER DEAD

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no great variation from overnight

quotations. Elsewhere there was a item

of apparent industrial price

movements must in favour. Most industrial

stocks, especially coal and steel,

and the hardened polar to tomorrow's bid

which it is hoped, will contain some

reassurance relief for these undertakings.

Prices were also well supported on

the rise of interest from other sections.

Oil closed firm and rubber improved on

talk of a government war damage loan to

help Malayan undertakings. British

shares and little developed in foreign bonds.

Consols 12.15, 12.15, 12.15, 12.15, 12.15,

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4th week Mar.	do	
4th week Mar.	do	
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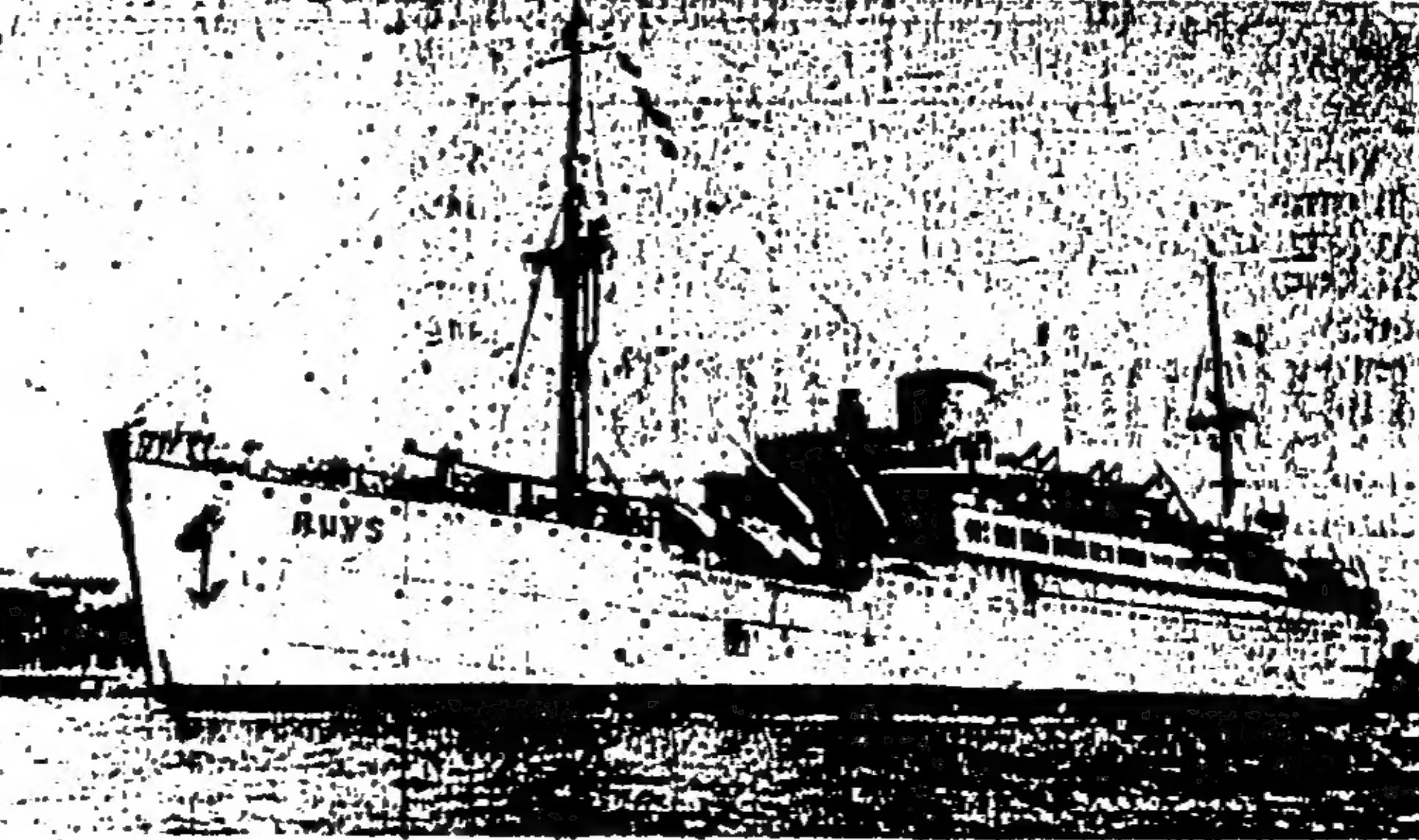
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The ms. Ruys, K.P.M. Luxury Liner, lying alongside the wharf in Kowloon after refitting.

After a complete refit in Hong Kong over the last three months, the 21,700-ton K.P.M. liner, the ms. Ruys is going into service again in the next few days, Shanghai being her first port of call following her transformation from a troopship.

She is going on the run Singapore, Batavia, to South American ports.

The ms. "Ruys", built in 1938, as were her sister ships the ms. "Tegelberg" and ms. "Boisevain", is a triple screw motorship of 21,700 tons displacement, 16,500 tons gross tonnage, with a cruising speed of 17 knots.

The first class has 2 suites de luxe, 18 single and 20 two-berth cabins with private baths, and various other spacious cabins. The first class accommodates about 80 passengers in total.

There are further about 60 intermediate class berths and more than 450 berths in the Steerage class.

The ms. "Ruys" arrived in Hong Kong at the beginning of December last and is now completing reconversion from a troop transport to a passenger ship.

All her first class cabins again offer their prewar comfort and luxury. The dining saloon, social hall, smoking room and library have regained their prewar beauty and the spacious sports and promenade decks, the gymnasium and open air swimming pool again look as they did in former times. All cabins have hot and cold running water and are equipped with ventilators blowing either warm or cool air into the cabins and which can be regulated at will.

No More Austerity
What passengers will probably appreciate most of all nowadays, is the fact that in no way whatever will there be any austerity in travelling with the "Ruys". There is free choice of cabins, no priority; choice of foods, wines and liquors; no rationing. The service will be of the old prewar standard so well-known all along the China Coast and beyond.

The "Ruys" will leave Hong Kong on March 4th for a short time, the second ship of the Asia-Africa-South America Line of the K.P.M., the ms. "Tegelberg," will have undergone a similar transformation and after that it will be the turn of the ms. "Boisevain" to be put back in her prewar shape.

NEW CANADIAN LEGATION

Toronto, Feb. 27.
The Canadian External Affairs Ministry announced today the opening of a Canadian Legation in Stockholm. Mr. Frederick Palmer, at present the trade commissioner, will be charge d'affaires. A minister will be appointed later. Sweden has had a legation in Ottawa for some time.—Reuters.

Yesterday's Crossword

1. Uninterested. 2. Worship. 3. Broadside. 4. Dash. 5. Trusted. 6. Dress. 7. Church of. 8. Sec. 9. Blood. 10. Quicken. 11. Rue. 12. Secured. 13. Chow. 14. Hardened. 15. Inimical. 16. Tempt. 17. Ream. 18. Aster. 19. Flinders. 20. Core. 21. Aster. 22. Rapid. 23. Iron. 24. Keen.

Clues Down

1. Foundation. 2. Cur. 3. Riddle. 4. Disturbers of the peace. 5. Pull along. 6. Sharp. 7. Designated. 8. Heavenly. 9. Fruit course. 10. Ream. 11. Rue. 12. Sharp. 13. Heavenly. 14. Other. 15. Core. 16. Aster. 17. Iron. 18. Dash. 19. Flinders. 20. Core. 21. Aster. 22. Rapid. 23. Iron. 24. Keen.

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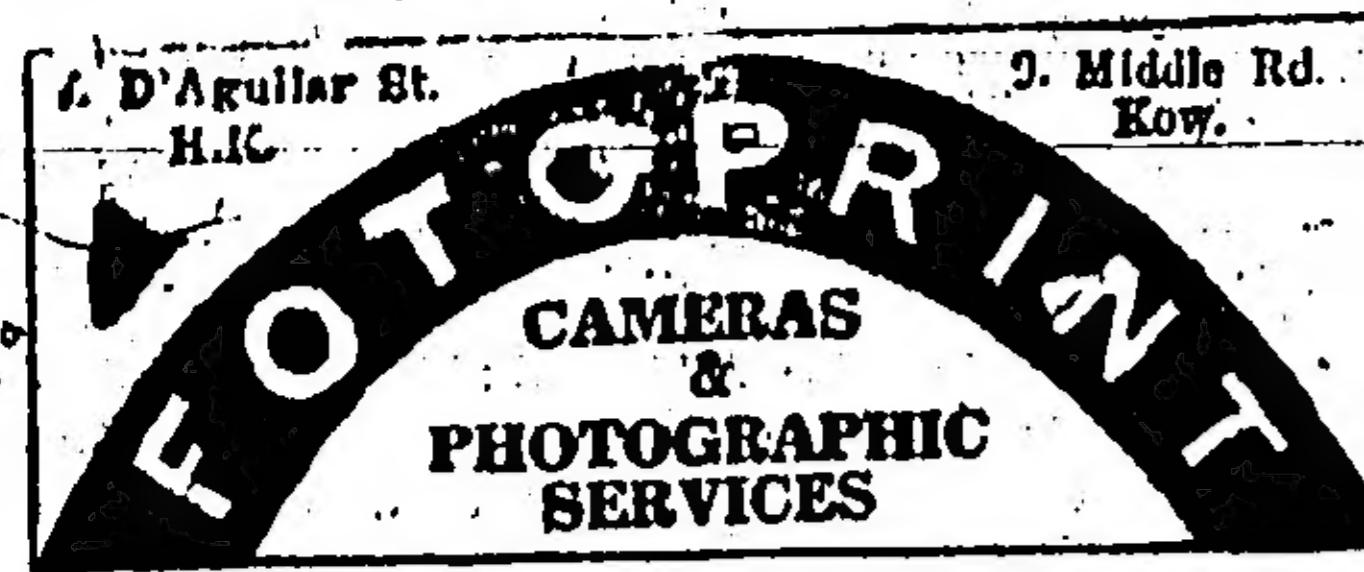
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HUTTON'S FINE KNOCK Scores Over Half England's Runs Dramatic Collapse In Fifth Test

Sydney, Feb. 28.
England made 237 runs for the loss of six wickets in the first day of the fifth and last Test match here today. Australia, after appearing to lose the initiative which they seized when they dismissed Washbrook with a total of 1, struck back with a deadly bowling spell after Leonard Hutton and Bill Edrich had added 150 for the second wicket. Operating with a new ball, Ray Lindwall, who did not hesitate to use high bouncing deliveries, took three wickets in five overs.

Echoes Of Shamshui Po

Veterans of Shamshui Po vented themselves to reunion evening yesterday at the Club Lusitano when the girls were awakened many a nostalgic memory proved to everyone's satisfaction that long acquaintance with shaving cream had not dulled their style. The costumes by Madame Bonn were creations that many a Jimi or Miss would sigh over and Sonia Chandris, Tami de Gremaré and Kiki Witchy-Réhy vamped competently to the point where one felt that old-timers generally got all the breaks.

What the evening did prove was that the boys at Shamshui Po had devised a variety show for Services' entertainment that is in many respects superior to the usual fare served up by Combinat Services' Entertainment.

If produced at the Star Theatre it would, quite definitely, cause a riot.

Sonia, Tami and Kiki are a delightful trio of damsels. They prove "beyond dispute" that the Powers Agency doesn't hold a monopoly on Cover Girls. They must also have set many a speculator Shamshui Po to ponder on what the elusive Miranda was like, devoid of her fripperies. The show, possessing at least one good pianist, a rhythm-concert string band and a number of good canaries, should be prevailed upon to stage "Echoes of Shamshui Po," remodelled to a more universal taste, where more could come to see it.

Strike At BCC Factory

The threatened strike of employees of the B.C.C. cigarette factory at Wanchai came off late on Thursday afternoon when they walked out in protest against the refusal of the management to grant their demand for "increased pay and better working conditions."

Three days earlier, the strikers had presented the management an ultimatum, setting a deadline at 3 p.m. on Thursday for a definite reply to their demands. A concession was made on only a few minor points.

Attempts by the workers' representatives to secure further concessions from the Company failed, and the men and women employees, numbering over 700, decided on a walkout.

There was no development in the situation yesterday. Representatives of the workers attempted to see the Assistant Labour Officer, and it is understood the Company requested the strikers to return to work but made it clear that their demands could not be met.

FATAL ACCIDENT

A verdict of accidental death with no blame attached to the driver was returned at the Coroner's inquest before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday into the death of Lam-Wing-yan, aged 44, who died following a bus accident in Queen's Road Central on Jan. 18, 1947.

A raid conducted by a party of detectives from Shamshui Po CID, led by DI. W.W. Williamson, on Wednesday at 175, Killing Street, resulted in the appearance before Mr. Blair Kerr yesterday of Tam Chi and Ho-Pui, alias To Ho, charged with the unlawful possession of an automatic pistol and 100 rounds of ammunition, a Japanese type hand-grenade and two blocks of opium, each weighing four ounces per block. On the application of D.I. Williamson, the court awarded remandment to the Hong Kong Police custody.

TELEPHONE REHABILITATION

The Telephone Company's Consulting Engineer, Mr. J. W. Wheeler, A.C.G.I., M.I.E.E., arrived from London by BOAC flying boat yesterday afternoon to advise on the rehabilitation of Hong Kong's Exchange.

Mr. Wheeler has extensive experience of telephone systems throughout the world and has recently returned from Switzerland where he was a delegate at a Conference of the C.C.I. International Telecommunication Body.

Laborite Mrs. Leah Manning today gave notice of the Commons question to the Chancellor of the Exchequer that she will ask next Tuesday how many dollars Britain is spending in the United States "on the rehabilitation of the children's purchased comic books."

Nairobi. Some 300 Jewish detainees now held by the British in Britain are being transferred to Kenya to a special camp at Gilgil in the Highlands 80 miles from Nairobi.

Frankfurt: Two former SS non-commissioned officers, Friederich Schossberger and Magnus Kustermann, have been sentenced to life for Dachau atrocities.

Johannesburg. — Captain George Hart is dealing with an animal hunter to take back to the Manchester Zoo by air plane load of cheetahs, jackals, baboons, some pythons and other animals wanted there.

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